1	2	3
Group «C'		
10. Library & Information Assistant		4 (2006-07)
11. Mechanic		1 (2006-07)
12. Preservation Assistant		2 (2007-08)
13. Electrician		1 (2006-07)
14. Binder		2 (2006-07)
Group 'D'		
15. Mender		3 (2004-05)

ASI agreement with IIT

4172. MS. MABEL REBELLO: Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) has entered into an agreement with Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Kanpur to introduce various scientific applications in archaeology for capacity building of ASI officers in scientific methodologies;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is proposed to set up a National Centre for Archaeological Sciences and Technology in its Campus; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF CULTURE (SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI): (a) and (b) The Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) and IIT, Kanpur entered into a Memorandum of Understanding on 5th February, 2007 for short and long term training programmes for capacity building in the application of modern technology in archaeology. Under this MoU, three modules, *viz.,* Plane Surveying and Global Positioning System (GPS), Geographical Information System (GIS) and Archaeomaterials have been approved for training.

(c) and (d) A Centre for Archaeological Sciences and Technologies (CAST) has been established in IIT, Kanpur in January, 2008. The objective of this Centre is to facilitate multi-institutional, multi-disciplinary research and development activities to strengthen development of science and technology in archaeological applications and cultural resource management.

Chemical preservation works of ancient monuments

4173. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) undertakes chemical preservation works to protect the ancient monuments and temples;

(b) if so, the details of works undertaken in Andhra Pradesh, the allocation made and utilized for the purpose, in the last three years, year-wise;

(c) whether any slippages have been noticed in the targets fixed for completing the chemical works; and

(d) if so, the details thereof alongwith the steps taken to arrest and prevent the slippages and the net impact of said measures?

THE MINISTER OF CULTURE (SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI): (a) Yes, Sir. Science Branch of Archaeological Survey of India undertakes chemical preservation work for protected ancient monuments and temples.

(b) The details of chemical preservation works undertaken in Andhra Pradesh during the last three years, the allocation made and utilized are indicated in Statement *(See* below).

(c) and (d) The targets fixed for preservation works were generally met.

Statement

Details of chemical preservation works undertaken in Andhra Pradesh during the last three years alongwith allocation made and expenditure incurred

(Amount in Rs.)

S No	Name of Monument	Name of the work	* 2004-05		2005-06		2006-07	
			Allocation	Exp.	Allocation	Exp.	Allocation	Exp.
1	2	3	4	S	6	7	8	9
1.	Sri Chintala Venkataramana Swamy Temple Tadipatri, Distt. Anantapur	1, Chemical Preservation to Kalyana Mandapa, Goddess Lakshmi temple, Sri Chintala Venkataramana Swamy Temple, Tadipatri, Distt. Anantapur	50000	37413			15000	13949
		2. Chemical Preservation to Cloister and other sub-shrines, Sri Chintala Venkataramana Swamy temple, Tadipatri, Distt. Anantapur	384000	194000	451632	451632	-	-
2.	Sri Buggaramalinges-wara Swamy temple, Tadipatri, Distt. Anantapur	Chemical Preservation to Sri Buggaramalingeswara Swamy temple, Tadipatri, Distt. Anantapur	441000	441000	50000	45000	-	-
3	Sri Veerabhadra Swamy temple, Lepakshi, Distt Anantapur	1. Chemical Preservation to Paintings on the ceilings of Vishnu shrine Sri Veerabhadra Swamy temple, Lepakshi, Distt Anantapur	125000	58779	125000	24673	14408	14408
		2. Chemical Preservation and Consolidation of Inner Prakara walls bearing inscriptions and sculptures of Natya Mandapa, Sri Veerabhadra Swamv temple. Lepakshi, Distt. Ananaptur	204055	204055	150000	90085	106098	106096
4	Group of temples Pttshpagiri, Distt	, Chemical Preservation to Group of temples,	320000	57000	271921	271921	—	—

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	Cuddappah	Pushpagiri, Distt. Cuddappah						
5.	Sri Soumyanath Swamy temple, Nandaiur, Distt. Cuddappah	Chemical Preservation to Sri Soumyanath Swamy temple, Nandaiur, Distt. Cuddappah	75000	75000				
6.	Sri Kumararama Bheemeswara Swamy temple, Samarlakota, Distt. East Godavari	Chemical Preservation to Outer Prakara wall including Gopurams, Sri Kumararama Bheemeswara Swamy temple, Samarlakota, Distt. East Godavari	308388	308388				
7.	Sri Bheemeswara Swamy temple, Draksharama, Distt. East Godavari	I. Chemical Preservation to Somwara Mandapa, South and West Gopurams, Sri Bheemeswara Swamy temple, Draksharama, Distt. East Godavari	300000	258000	200000	128774	90000	89584
		2. Chemical Preservation to Upper cloisters, East South and North walls, Sri Bheemeswara Swamy temple, Draksharama, Distt. East Godavari	277771	277771				
8.	Charminar, Hyderabad	1. Chemical Preservation to Charminar Hyderabad	—	—	—	—	370000	189299
		2. Chemical Preservation to External facade from Ground Floor to First Floor Charminar Hyderabad	187600	187600				
		3. Monitoring of Ambeint Air Quality around Charminar, Hyderabad	100000	53998	200000	53093	85951	85951
9.	Golconda Fort, Hyderabad	1. Chemical Preservation to Golconda Fort, Hyderabad	449928	4	174205	174205		
		2. Chemical Preservation to Rani Mahal and other structures, Golkonada Fort, Hyderabad			298489	298489	342681	320731
10.	SriUma Maheswara Swamy temple, Yaganti, Distt. Kurnool	I. Chemical Preservation to Sri Uma Maheswara Swamy temple, Yaganti, Distt. Kurnool	359369	359369				
		2. Chemical Preservation to Mandapas and other structures Sri Uma Maheswara Swamy temple, Yaganti, Distt. Kurnool			100000	15018	692311	692311
11.	Beach Ghantki Burzu, Distt. Kurnool	Chemical Preservation to Bastion no. 1, Beach Ghantki Burzu, Distt. Kurnool	201000	201000	313091	313091	15000	14975

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
12	Excavated and Museum objects, Chandragin, Distt. Chittoor	1. Chemical Preservation to Excavated and Museum objects, Chandragin, Distt. Chittoor	25000	—	—	—	—	—
		2. Chemical Preservation of Museum objects Chandragiri Museum, Chandragiri, Distt Chittoor			50000	3596	3809	3809
13.	Buddhist "Remains, Guntupalli, Distt. West Godavari	1. Chemical Preservation to Buddhist Remains, Guntupalli, Distt. West Godavari	265000	256000	100000	57717	145941	145941
		2. Chemical Preservation to Buddhist stupa and other caves Guntupalli, West Godavari Distt.					488086	488086
IS	Buddhist Rock-Cut Stupas, Caves etc. Sankaram, Distt. Visakhapatnam	Chemical Preservation to Buddhist Rock-Cut Stupas, Caves etc. Sankaram, Distt. Visakhapatnam			150000	9515	470641	470641
15.	Sri Mukhalingeswara temple, Srimukhalingam, Distt. Srikakulam	Chemical Preservation to Interior of Sri Swamy Mukhalingeswara Swamy temple, Srimukhalingam, Distt Srikakulam			200000	18538	256228	239541
16	Papanasi group of temples, Alampur, Distt. Mehboobnagar	Chemical Preservation MR to Papanasi group of temples, Alampur, Distt. Mehboobnagar	-		342000	342000	565000	562490
17.	Swarga Brahma and outer cloisters of Bala.':,:hmaeswar Swamy temple, Alampur, Distt Mahaboobnagar	Chemical Preservation to Interior of Swarga Brahma and outer cloisters of Balabrahmaeswara Swamy a temple, Alampur, Distt. Mahaboobnagar		378000	3780(90493	90493	--	--
18.	Sri Bhavanarayana Swamy temple, Bapatla, Distt. Guntur	Chemical Preservation to Sri Bhavanarayana Swamy temple, Bapatla, Distt. Guntur			243691	243691	140000	133356
19	Museum objects of Reserve collection, Amaravati, Distt. Guntur	MR to Museum objects of Reserve collection, Amaravati, Distt Guntur					1000	
20	Triliteswara Swamy temple, Pushpagiri, Distt. Kadapa	Chemical Preservation to Triliteswara Swamy temple, Pushpagiri, Distt. Kadapa					200000	123805
21	Ghantasala, Distt. Krishna	Chemical Preservj:ii to Loose sculptures Ghantasala, Distt. Krishana	75000	—	50000	902	95000	94557

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
22.	Warangal Fort, Warangal, Distt. Warangal	Chemical Preservation MR to Kush Mahl and loose sculptures at Warangal Fort, Warangal, Distt. Warangal	300000	77074	383455	383455	7205	7205
23.	Thousand Pillared temple, Hanamkonda, Distt Warangal	Chemical Preservation MR to Thousand Pillared temple, Hanamkonda, Distt Warangal					152537	152537

Museum for rare images in Uttarakhand

†4174. SHRI HARISH RAWAT: Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Baijnath, Kausani in Uttarakhand has the oldest image of Lord Shiva depicting his *Ardhanareshvari* (half-feminine) form;

(b) if so, whether there is a proposal to establish a state-of-the-art museum for these unique images in view of ancient cultural and tourism importance of the group of temples situated there;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the steps to be taken to promote tourism importance of these group of temples in Uttarakhand?

THE MINISTER OF CULTURE (SHRIMATIAMBIKA SONI): (a) No such image has been reported from the Baijnath Group of Temples, Kausani in Uttarakhand under the protection of Archaeological Survey of India.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Question does not arise.

(d) Under an Integrated Development Programme for Binsar-Baijnath-Bagheshwar tourist circuit, the Ministry of Tourism has sanctioned an amount of Rs. 728.54 lakhs during the year 2006-07, which includes providing tourist facilities and beautification of temples at Baijnath.

In addition, the Archaeological Survey of India has provided tourist facilities like drinking water, signage, cast iron/stone benches, etc. at the Group of Temples at Baijnath.

Development of cellular jail at Port Blair

4175. SHRI ABU ASIMAZMI: Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government has taken a final decision for the development of famous Cellular Jail at Port Blair in Andaman and Nicobar Islands;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken so far on Government's decision in this regard?

† Original ffttice of the question was received in Hindi.